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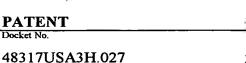
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| application of pending prior Application No. 08/240,877, filed | on May 11, 1994, which is a division of |
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- Enclosed are 2 sheet(s) of drawings.
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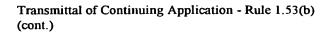
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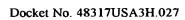
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